



IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appn. No.:

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Applicant:

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Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS CONTROLLING COMMUNICATION IN

THE MAIN FLEX AND BRIDGE FLEX CIRCUITS FOR MULTIPLE

MICRO-ACTUATORS IN A HARD DISK DRIVE

TC/A.U.:

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Examiner: Docket No.: Kin C. Wong 139-033U

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at Newark, CA

PROVISIONAL ELECTION

Commissioner of Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 19, 2007, the applicant makes the following provisional election.

The Applicant provisionally elects Group II, claims 23-24 directed to a flex circuit in a disk drive. Applicant reserves the right to resubmit the non-elected species if a generic claim is allowed.

Applicant invites the Examiner to contact Applicant's representative as listed below for a telephonic interview if so doing would expedite the prosecution of the application.

Very respectfully submitted.

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